

# Mid-State Amateur Radio Club

## The Spark Gap

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### RESULTS OF JULY RUSHVILLE TESTING

Clarence Polly	KB9HBN	Austin	Tech
Roy Richardson	KB9HBK	Osgood	Tech
Gavin Roberts	N9LPV	Indy	General
Joe Rogers	KB9GQD	Franklin	Tech
Reuben Schuff	KB9EGF	Indy	Adv
Sheryl Schuff	KB9EGH	Indy	Adv
Stephen Schuff	N9KRU	Indy	Tech
Debra Vogeler	Versailles	NC	Tech
Eula Wells	N. Vernon	NC	Tech
Dale White	KB9GMS	Brownsburg	General
Lyndon Wills	N9HTQ	Anderson	Extra

### AUGUST/SEPTEMBER VEC TESTING

Aug 17	Franklin	NV9K	736-6320
Aug 31	Indianapolis	NQ9R	291-3569
Sep 7	New Castle	W9JUJ	288-0481
Sep 21	Rushville	N6RS	763-6090
Sep 28	Lebanon	NY9Q	482-1866

### WE NEED YOUR HELP

The materials you received today with your newsletter are important to the welfare of the club. Read the proposed constitution and make comments on the enclosed sheet. The material gathered from these comment sheets will have a great influence on the final draft of the new constitution. If you disagree with any of the proposed articles say so now on the comment sheet! The new constitution is something we will have to live with and it should reflect the genuine wishes of the membership! You can mail your comments in or submit them at the August 17th meeting.

The Profile sheet (on reverse side of the comment sheet) is needed to update information about club members. We need to know what equipment and operating modes are available, how many belong to ARRL, what technical experience is available through our members, etc. Your cooperation on this is also appreciated!

### SHOULD WE CONTINUE WITH NEWSLINE?

Last sunday we included the NEWSLINE (formerly Westlink) on the net. We would like to have member's reaction to whether we should have it every week.



New  
Members

Larry Walters is one of our newer members to the club. Larry lives in Greenwood and is waiting for his new license to arrive. He is very interested in things relating to the railroad. He worked in the Real Estate and Operations Development Group at Amtrak in Washington, D. C. for two years and is currently completing work on a MBA degree at the University of Indianapolis. Larry also teaches electronics and computers in the undergraduate school. He plans to return to railroad employment after he completes graduate school. He likes to build and play guitars and piano and was active on the campus radio station (FM 88.7) during his early college days.

Our newest member is Dale DuKate, KM9T who has been a ham since 1980. Dale lives in Indianapolis and belongs to the Indy Repeater Assn, Indy Radio Club, the American Red Cross, and the 511 Repeater Assn. He is also an active Volunteer Examiner with the Red Cross. Dale is recently retired (5 yrs on the Railroad and 36 yrs in construction). He worked on the Alaskan Pipeline in Prudoe Bay, Alaska and also was an Army radio operator while stationed in Nurenberg, Germany.



Three Club members have changed addresses since the last Newsletter:

Ross Marlin N9DZR	340 W. Methodist Drive	
Franklin	736-1303	
Darrell Sego K9PS	25 Rypma Row	
New Whiteland	535-5309	
Dan Cammack W9MLN	4079 Easy Street	
Greenwood	888-9877	
Mirriied, and living on Easy St.	NOT BAD!	

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ From the  
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ President:

Do you know that the older you get the more you need to slow down? Take extra time to do the simplest things. You never know when you might fall down and break a bone!

I'm looking forward to the Equestrian event August 24th. I hope we get a lot of volunteers this time. Elections are in September and I would like to see new officers for 1992. So, give it a shot!

I'm sorry this news package is late but my activities have been restricted due to a cast on my arm. Please return your questionnaires as soon as possible.

As county RACES officer, I really appreciate all who volunteered Monday, August 5th during the wx watch. And thank you, Eric for your effort to get the repeater up during the power outage.

Thanks and 73. N9DON president.

## THE SWAP SWAMP

### Buy-Sell or Swap

FOR SALE: CD PLAYER NV9K 736-6320  
We need other items to place in this column! Give it a try!

#### TV SETS TO BE CHANGED

All future TV sets will be designed for the hearing impaired so said the FCC. The Commission has amended part 15 of its rules to implement the provisions of the Television Decoder Circuitry Act of 1990. This act requires that most television receivers manufactured or imported for use in the U. S. be equipped by July 1st 1993 with built-in decoder circuitry designed to display closed-captioned television transmissions.

D A T E S   T O   R E M E M B E R :

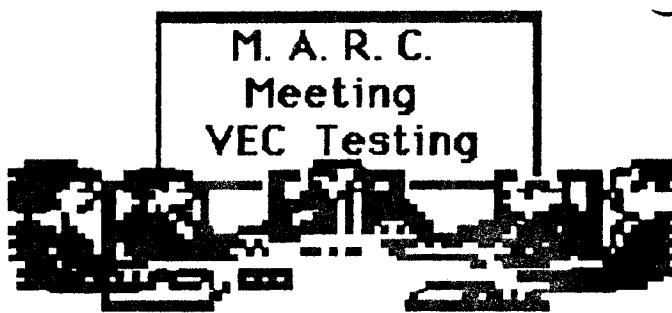
AUGUST 17	CLUB MEETING
AUGUST 24	EQUESTRIAN EVENT
SEPTEMBER 7	HAM AWARENESS DAY

## HAM AWARENESS DAY



The 1991 Amateur Radio Public Awareness Day celebration will be held this year on September the 7th. Awareness Day is similar to Field Day with two major exceptions: First it's not a contest nor do you go off to operate on emergency power to some secluded location. On Awareness Day Hams take their gear and other displays to libraries, Town Halls, Parks, Fairs, and even the beach front. In other words, you go where the people are and you preach to them the value of having a ham in your town and living next door. Awareness Day is a very important day, since it gives you the chance to tell your community, the nation, and the world just how important Ham Radio can be to them.

Do you have some ideas on how the club can participate in this program?



M. A. R. C.  
Meeting  
VEC Testing



AGENDA :  
8:00 Constitution Proposal  
Report of the Technical Committee  
9:30 VEC Testing

TRY TO ATTEND THE MEETING  
WE NEED YOUR INPUT !